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1. Discussions among various youth leaders have been held recently in Berlin. The result of these discussions was the instruction of Heinrich Kessler of the FDJ to oppose the development of a complete break among the various denominations.
2. It has also become clear that the Protestant Church is definitely opposed to separate, denominational youth organizations. The opposition became stronger when the possibility of examination by Fragebogen of the individual members was mentioned. According to informant, the reason for this opposition most likely can be traced to the prevalence of young Nazis in the Protestant group.
- 25X1A 3. The official attitude of the Catholic Church towards denominational youth groups has not yet been made clear. [REDACTED] realized that there is considerable opposition to denominational organization among the youth members.
4. The results of the discussions probably will be resolved toward the middle of September when a new combined proposal of a non-denominational character will be forwarded to the Berlin Kommandatura.

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